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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56, and 37 CFR 1.97-1.98, Applicant submits herewith a copy of an Australian International Search Report issued in connection with a counterpart foreign patent application (2002950037), together with copies of the documents noted therein.

Without any assertion of prior art effect, the documents are noted on the attached List of Items for the convenience of the Examiner. The potential relevance of these documents as considered by the Australian Patent Office is noted on the attached Search Report.

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Early action on the merits of the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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